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e.g., Ganapathi High School, Kozhikode, have not yet been paid travelling allowance in connexion with their work in the general elections?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM:—"Yes, Sir; so far as the teachers of the Ganapathi High School, Kozhikode, are concerned, they have all since been paid travelling allowance in connexion with the election duties they discharged during the last general elections and no claims are pending settlement. As regards the teachers of other aided schools in the district, their pending claims have all been settled except in the case of 37 teachers involving an aggregate amount of Rs. 178–4–0. Out of this, a sum of Rs. 80–8–0 is pending disbursement for want of the correct addresses of 19 claimants. The bills relating to the remaining 18 claimants involving an amount of Rs. 97–12–0 have been forwarded to the District Educational Officers of Central Malabar and North Malabar for scrutiny and passing them and on receipt of the bills from the District Educational Officers, arrangements will be made to disburse the amount as early as possible to the persons concerned."

Alleged detention of one Krishnan Nair at Kozhikode.

* 1257 *Q.*—SRI T. C. NARAYANA NAMBIAR: Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received any complaint or representation from one Krishnan Nair of Kozhikode alleging that he has been detained illegally in the Government Mental Hospital for Lunatics, Kuthiravattam, Malabar; and

(*b*) if the answer is in the affirmative, what action has been taken?

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI:—"I believe, Sir, a similar question was asked the other day. Anyway, I am reading the answer, as it had been prepared long ago.

"(*a*) Yes.

"(*b*) He was in the Mental Hospital from 14th February 1953 to 4th March 1953 under observation. The hospital authorities reported he was sane. The man's behaviour in the lock-up was so violent and disorderly that the Police thought it safe to remove him to the Mental Hospital. The Police are searching his antecedents and security proceedings are reported to be pending now before Court."

Members of Legislatures as visitors of jails.

* 1258 *Q.*—SRI G. SIVASANKARA REDDI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Law be pleased to state whether G.O. Ms. No. 102, Home, dated 9th January 1953 modified G.O. Ms. No. 2080, Home, dated 10th June 1952, and thereby disallows members of the Madras and Central Legislatures from being non-official or special visitors to sub-jails and, if so, why?

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THE HON. SRI K. P. KUTTIKRISHNAN NAIR:—"The answer to the first portion of the question is in the affirmative. The Government feel that it may not be desirable to concentrate all honorary functions on members of the Legislature who by reason of that very position can do a great deal of good without being appointed visitors. It may be desirable to confer honorary positions on others also. Those who are interested in jails and prisoners apart from individual or party interest will certainly be preferred whether they are members of the Legislature or not."

Dispute between employers and employees in Stoneware Pipe, Tiruvallur.

*1259 *Q.*—SRI S. PAKKIRISWAMI PILLAI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state—

(*a*) when the existence of a dispute between the employers and employees of the Stoneware Pipe, Tiruvallur, Chingleput district, was brought to the notice of the Labour Commissioner; and

(*b*) whether any conciliation was attempted and with what results?

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO:—"(*a*) The dispute was brought to the notice of the Commissioner of Labour in February 1953.

"(*b*) Yes, the report of the conciliation officer is under consideration of Government."

Reserved forest areas in Anantapur.

*1260 *Q.*—SRI T. LAKSHMINARAYANA REDDI: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state what steps are taken to increase plantation in reserved areas in Anantapur district?

THE HON. DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA:—"Work is in progress for concentrated regeneration of an area of 600 acres under the Soil Conservation Scheme. "Neem" and "Kamala" species are also being raised on a plantation scale. During the rainy season, an area of 13,200 acres is expected to be sown with seeds broadcast by the forest subordinates."

Tannery industry in the State.

*1261 *Q.*—SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any Committee was appointed to enquire into the conditions of the Tannery Industry in the State;

(*b*) whether the Committee has submitted its report to the Government; and

(*c*) whether the report will be placed on the table of the House?